



August 14, 2008

Arthur J. Robarge
Interim Hospital Director
Broughton Hospital
1000 South Sterling Street
Morganton, North Carolina 28655

RE: HCO # 1610

Re: Accreditation Committee Decision

Dear Dr. Robarge:

On August 14, 2008, the Accreditation Committee considered the report and Broughton Hospital's comments on the report of the Review Hearing Panel convened on June 4, 2008. After consideration, the Committee concluded to deny accreditation to Broughton Hospital based on survey findings of 17 Not Compliant standards and other requirements. The Committee removed the survey findings related to standards PC.12.50, HR.1.20, and IC.7.10 from the accreditation survey report, as well as EP 4 of IC.1.10. A revised accreditation survey report will be posted to your extranet shortly.

The accreditation and appeal procedures provide that you may request a review of the Accreditation Committee's decision by the Board Appeal Review Committee. Should you wish to request such a review, you must do so in writing, within five (5) business days of your receipt of this letter, addressed to:

Kim Andersen
Director, Department of Board Committee Activities
The Joint Commission
One Renaissance Boulevard
Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois 60181

Sincerely,

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